

Collect

Almighty God, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Mercifully give us faith to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING Acts 16.16-34

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

16 One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. 17 While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' 18 She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. 19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. 20 When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs 21 that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' 22 The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. 23 After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. 24 Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. 25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. 27 When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' 29 The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' 31 They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' 32 They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. 33 At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. 34 He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 97

Response: The Lord is king, most high over all the earth.

1 The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad. 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne. 3 A fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side. **R** 4 His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees it and is afraid. 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory. **R** 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before him, all you gods. 8 Zion hears and is glad and the cities of

Judah rejoice, because of your judgements, O Lord. 9 For you are the Lord: most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. **R** 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, and joyful gladness for those who are true-hearted. 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name. **R**

SECOND READING Revelation 22.12–14, 16–17, 20–21

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: 12 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' 14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. 16 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' 17 The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. 20 The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! 21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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Gospel John 17.20–26

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to Christ our saviour

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, 20 I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, 23 I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. 24 Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 25 Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. 26 I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

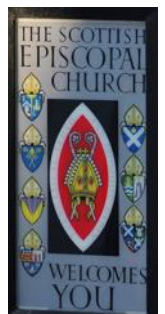
Praise to Christ our Lord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, may we who share Christ's banquet be one with him as he is one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and ascended Lord. Amen

BLESSING

Christ our king make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen





The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway
St John's Church, Floors Street, Johnstone PA5 8QS St Margaret's Church, Oxford Road, Renfrew PA4 0SJ

Physical Services are not being streamed live this week

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Zoom/Telephone is Tel: **01314601196** Meeting ID: **832 4184 0407**

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Worship today 29 May **7th Sunday of Easter**

0945am St Johns RS Holy Communion—Rev Lisa

1130am St Margarets RS Holy Communion—Rev Lisa

Monday 30 May—feria

Tuesday 31 May—festival—The Visit of Mary to Elizabeth

Wednesday 1 June—comm—Justin of Rome, Martyr, c.165

St Johns 2pm Holy Communion—Rev Robert Chambers

St Margarets 7pm Holy Communion—LWL Pat

Thursday 2 June—

Platinum Jubilee

Celebrations begin

Friday 3 June—comm—

Charles Lwanga and his companions, 1886; Janani Luwum, Bishop, 1977, Martyrs of Uganda



Saturday 4 June—comm—John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, Reformer, 1963

10am coffee before 1030-1130 Gardening Hour at St Johns

Next Sunday 5 June **Pentecost Sunday**

Renfrew Gala Day

0945am St Johns Sung Eucharist

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist



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Sponsorship: in prayer for the Thy Kingdom Come season as we pray together that others may believe

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Intercessions

The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Pauline Campbell, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Carol, Joanna, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Paul Bothwell, Veronica Whitelock, Martin Santon, Jeanette Farquhar, Margaret Keys, Lyle McDermott, Emily Parker, Jim Henderson, David Peden, Alun Reese, Sam Aaron

The Departed: none

We pray for Scotland as we welcome Ukrainian Refugees to make a home We pray for the world Aid Agencies supporting victims of disaster

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet



Weekly downloads the PEWSHEET, the INTERCESSION SHEET, the GOSPEL REFLECTION from

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

The Daily Offices can be followed on the provincial website at <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>

9am-920am Morning Prayer on zoom this week

Pastoral Assistants Support every week: please call Wilma 07714 525726 or John Mitchell 07798 662711

St Johns Keys are being collected in by Gill again as we look to the start of the building works on Monday 6 June



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